

to its discipline, its concentrated force and brilliant results. There is no question that the organized and disciplined regiment can do more than the mob, or more than the individual, however splendid his talent or untiring his industry, but it is on condition that the individual, or every individual, in the association becomes more effective because of his connection with it. There is a manifest tendency in society work to sink the responsibility of the individual. There is an ever present tendency in human nature to shift responsibility, and if the society as a mass is regarded by its individual members as a sort of substitute, an entity which will move of itself, do all the work there is to do, while we its atoms, or rather its ciphers, look on from our comfortable shady places, the end will be disappointment and demoralization.

The society fulfills its mission only when it trains its individual members to the highest efficiency, and then gets every one at work at a definite task and keeps them at work in thorough earnest. To do this there must be the strictest discipline, just such discipline in fact as prevails in the methods of the salvation army. The president of the society should be its captain, and the members his soldiers, and there should exist between them the same relationship as in the household of the centurion, who being a man in authority, having men under him, said to this man, "go, and he goeth, and to another do this, and he doeth it." Nothing less than this is effective discipline. The elective leadership and the pastoral superintendence is a sufficient safeguard against all possible abuses, and there need be no more friction than there is in the loose jointed discipline which marks most of our organizations. Every society should be like a steam hammer in the hands of a skillful operator, a tireless, irresistible, direct, inexhaustible force to break in pieces wickedness, and to hammer out the problems of reform which present themselves in every community and in every church.

Personal Mention

The work in Dayton under the leadership of Brother Copp is developing nicely.

Brother and Sister Williams, Landale, Pa., pledge \$2.00 to the Washington City Church Fund, making a total of \$475 53.

Our young people will find the suggestions by Brother Furry very helpful. We are glad to announce that they will be continued.

The letter to his parishoners by Brother Darling of Pittsburg, Pa., published in this issue, shows a most commendable zeal and we trust others will follow the example.

Again we have the pleasure of introducing another new contributor to our readers, sister Annie Moomaw Nininger, whose paper we print this week. We hope to hear from her again.

Brother D. C. Moomaw writes very hopefully of the work in the Old Dominion. He reports one ac-

cession, and a very helpful conference in the Roanoke church at which steps were taken for more aggressive work.

The historical excerpts on the subject of Feetwashing by Brother Talley in this issue will be found helpful to our readers, especially to our ministers who do not have the records at hand as he has. They will be continued next week.

On another page will be found the report of the Ohio Mission Board by Brother Deffenbaugh. Every pastor in the state should make an effort to collect from his people at the rate of 25 cents per member, the rate fixed by the State Conference.

Brother Emmet Rittenhouse who spent seven weeks in Cuba during the late war has returned home, and tho somewhat weakened physically he is in good spirits. He confirms the statement of others that Cuba opens a great opportunity to the church for missionary work.

In sending another subscription to the EVANGELIST, Brother Welty writes: "One more and all will be supplied with the church paper which has been a great help in the work here." Many pastors quite a good deal older in years and in the work are not able to say as much as that. Three great things Brother Welty keeps constantly before his people, namely, the college, the Publishing House and missions.

The article, "Giving Enriches the Giver," by Mrs. Mary Bauman should have appeared under the Sisters' department. The paper was read at the National Conference and ordered published in the EVANGELIST along with a number of others all of which will appear from week to week. Question: Why should not the sisters continue these contributions to the paper?

We call special attention to the short article in this issue by Brother Copp, entitled, "Warning." There is just cause for the alarm he raises. One sentence especially deserves to be remembered by all who read the article. He says he has read the book, "What Would Jesus Do," but he has read a better book than that which tells what Jesus *did* do. That is well said indeed. The only way we know to decide what Jesus would do is by going to the book that tells what he *did* do.

Brother Kimmel has raised in his charge since the state conference in June \$17 47 for state mission work and intends to raise \$50.00 by next conference, which he says will give us \$600 in the state if others will do as well. And why should not others do as well? There is no reason why they should not, for many are more able and all of them are as able as the congregations Brother Kimmel serves. It has been repeatedly said that it all depends on the preacher, in charge, and of this we are more firmly convinced than ever.

The first half of Brother Cassel's paper, "Foreign Missions," read at the late conference, appears in this issue. It is in four parts, God's plan, God's providence, God's Spirit and the Need. The latter half will be published next week. It is a good paper and with Brother Cassel's views as to the importance of foreign mission work we heartily agree, but as touching God's Plan, we must take issue with him. Our views will be stated in a criticism on the paper next week in connection with the publication of the balance of his article.

We have received a number of very favorable notices of the Quarterly in its present form. Brother Livengood says: We like the new feature in the Sunday school lessons very much. Brother Furry writes: I am very much pleased with the new Quarterlies and consider them as good, and in some respects better than any others. Sister Sarah Keim writes: I think the change in the Quarterly is an improvement and an advantage in the study of the lesson as it brings the comment on each verse right in connection. Brother Kiehl writes: I am very much pleased with the new Quarterly. I think the new method in regard to explanatory notes is much more profitable than the old. Others have expressed themselves fav-

orably, all of whom have our thanks for their kind words of appreciation. The next improvement will be in our Sunday school paper, "Cheering Words."

Some New Beatitudes

We have always felt that there never could be an improvement on the beatitudes as given by the blessed Master, and we are of that opinion yet, even tho the *Morning Star* has made an attempt as follows:

Blessed is the man who does not allow his subscription dues to his religious paper to go unpaid.

Blessed is the man who pays for his religious newspaper when he ought to.

Blessed is the man who can look the whole world in the face and declare that he does not owe anything for his religious newspaper.

Blessed is the man who would be ashamed to neglect payment for his religious newspaper.

Blessed is the man to whom no bill has to be sent for arrearages on his subscription to his religious newspaper.

Blessed is the publisher of a religious newspaper to whom subscribers send payment for their copies without waiting for five, four, three, or any reminders.

Blessed is the publisher who is able to pay his bills because subscribers pay theirs.

Blessed is the publisher who opens his mails and finds that delinquent subscribers are paying up.

NOW IS THE TIME

For what? Why to prepare to enter the classes that shall be organized at the beginning of next term of *Ashland College*. Of course you could enter before that time and find classes doing the work you wish to do. There are many young people in the churches of the Brethren who could prepare to come January 3 who can not come now. Three months' time—you can certainly get ready in that time.

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Discouragement is Satan's potent engine to thwart the works of God, and draw our souls away from Him.